

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the specification, as follows:

Page 1, lines 1-2, replace the title paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

~~TYRE HAVING A HIGH WEAR RESISTANCE~~[[,]] ELASTOMERIC  
COMPOSITION AND TREAD BAND AND TYRE INCLUDING  
THE ELASTOMERIC COMPOSITION USED THEREIN

Page 1, line 3, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section heading after the new title “ELASTOMERIC COMPOSITION AND TREAD BAND AND TYRE INCLUDING THE ELASTOMERIC COMPOSITION” and prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “The present invention relates to a tyre . . . .”

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 1, line 3, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section subheading after the heading “BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION” added above and prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “The present invention relates to a tyre . . . .”

Field of the Invention

Page 1, line 19, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section subheading prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “In the rubber industry . . .”

#### Description of the Related Art

Page 4, line 14, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section heading prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “The Applicant has now found that it is possible . . . .”

### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 13, line 14, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section heading prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “The present invention will now be illustrated . . . .”

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 13, line 19, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section heading prior to the start of the paragraph beginning “‘a’ indicates an axial direction . . . .”

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS